

**SCHOOL: CITY:**  
**2026-2027 ILSTO Financial Aid Application**  
**ILSTO, BOX 176, TERRIL, IA 51364**

# 1 Instructions Application

Families must be Iowa residents.

With the changes in the 1040 form, You must include a copy of **page 1** of your 2025 Federal income tax return (1040) with this application. Page 1 shows the dependents information and Line 11 of page 1 shows the adjusted gross income. Schedules need not be included. If you were **NOT** required to file a tax return for 2025, you must sign the **non-filer affidavit** in Section 7 and submit all Forms W-2 or 1099 received by members of your household.

- Submit this application directly to ILSTO, Box 176, Terril, IA 51364, POSTMARKED by **May 1, 2026**.
- **PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE ONLY 1 ROUND OF APPLICATIONS FOR RETURNING FAMILIES.**
- **NEW STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY FOR THE STO BY MAY 1 AND ESA BY ITS DEADLINE.**
- Eligibility remains at 400% of poverty level. However, the Iowa Legislature did not increase funding with this increase in eligibility. Therefore, awards are based on amount of donations. Eligibility does not ensure an award.

**PLEASE NOTE QUESTIONS CONCERNING FREE/REDUCED LUNCHES, NUMBER OF PARENTS WORKING AND OTHER AID. CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER. IF RECEIVED OTHER AID, GIVE THE AMOUNT THIS SCHOOL YEAR. USE THE CURRENT YEAR FOR THESE QUESTIONS. ESA AMOUNT INCLUDED IN CASE OF STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTION.**

- Starting with yourself, list the name and birth date of every person who lived in your home on December 31, 2025.
- Include everyone who lived with you, regardless of relationship, even children in college and those not in school.
- For each student (including those in college), enter their **2026-2027** school name and grade level

## 2 Household Members

## 3 Household Address

- Enter the complete street address of your primary place of residence (your home) as of December 31, 2025.
- Include your apartment number, unit number, or lot number if applicable.
- Do not enter a post office box or the address of any property other than your primary residence.

Street	City	State and Zip Code	PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU CURRENTLY LIVE.

## 4 Contact Information

- Your contact information is needed to help us resolve any errors or omissions on this application.
- Provide all phone numbers (including area code) at which you may be reached for additional information.
- Provide your primary email address. In the event we can't reach you by phone, we will send you an email.

Work Phone	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address

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## 5 Unreported Income

- Report below any income that your household received in 2025 which is not included on a submitted tax return.
- All household income, whether taxable or nontaxable and regardless of source, must be disclosed.
- Enter monthly or yearly amounts, whichever you prefer. If none, enter a zero; do not leave an item blank.

Type of Income	Monthly	Yearly	Type of Income	Monthly	Yearly
Child Support Received for All Children	\$	\$	Supplemental Security Income (SSI, SSD)	\$	\$
Housing Assistance (HUD, Section 8)	\$	\$	Veterans Benefits and Combat Pay	\$	\$
Public Assistance (Food Stamps, Welfare)	\$	\$	Workers Comp and Disability Benefits	\$	\$
Social Security Benefits of Dependents	\$	\$	All Other Unreported Household Income	\$	\$

### **Please Circle:**

**Use current year for these questions.**

## 6 Additional Information

## **School Lunches: REDUCED FREE Neither**

**Number of Parents working:**      2      1      0

## Did you get additional aid this year besides ESA and/or STO?

**YES NO AMT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

- You may also use this section to explain or expand upon any entries made elsewhere on this application.
- You may also use this section to tell how the STO program has helped your family.

## 7 Nonfiler Affidavit

- If no one in your household was required to file a tax return for 2025, you must sign the following affidavit.
- Skip this section if anyone in your household was required to file a federal income tax return for 2025.
- If you sign below, you must include all Forms W-2 and 1099 received by members of your household for 2025.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, **no member** of my household earned enough taxable income to be required to file a federal individual income tax return for the year 2025.

Applicant Signature	Date
X	

## 8 Applicant Certification

- All applicants **must** sign this section.
- Before signing, verify that **all** sections of this application have been completed in accordance with the instructions.
- Verify that **all** members of your household have been listed and that **all** income received has been disclosed.

I hereby certify that: (a) this application is true, correct, and complete; (b) I have submitted true copies of all tax returns filed by members of my household; and (c) I have disclosed all household income received.

Applicant Signature	Date
X	

PLEASE ATTACH PAGE 1 OF YOUR 2025 FEDERAL 1040

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<b>2026</b>		
Number in Family	Poverty Guideline	400%
1	\$15,960	\$ 63,840
2	\$21,640	\$ 86,560
3	\$27,320	\$ 109,280
4	\$33,000	\$ 132,000
5	\$38,680	\$ 154,720
6	\$44,360	\$ 177,440
7	\$50,040	\$ 200,160
8	\$55,720	\$ 222,880
9	\$61,400	\$ 245,600
10	\$67,080	\$ 268,320
11	\$72,760	\$ 291,040
12	\$78,440	\$ 313,760